

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 335

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT  
HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINE.

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AN ACT to promote the Efficiency of the Fire Department of  
the City of Bangor.

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1. The fire department of the city of Bangor shall  
2 hereafter be under the control of a board of fire commis-  
3 sioners.

Sect. 2. Said board shall consist of three members, of  
2 whom the mayor shall be chairman ex officio. The other  
3 two members shall be elected by ballot by the city council on  
4 the fourth Monday of March of each year or as soon there-  
5 after as may be convenient, for the term of three years, and  
6 shall hold their office until others are elected and qualified in

7 their stead. They shall be taken from the two parties poll-  
8 ing the largest number of votes at the last preceding elec-  
9 tion. For the purposes of this law, Fred A. Porter, repre-  
10 senting the Republican party shall serve as commissioner for  
11 three years, and Frank A. Robinson, representing the Demo-  
12 cratic party, shall serve for two years. For reasons, after a  
13 hearing, either of the elected members may be removed by a  
14 majority vote of both boards of the common council. All  
15 vacancies, whether caused by resignation, death or otherwise,  
16 shall be filled by vote of the city council as herein provided.  
17 If either member accepts the office of mayor his place at  
18 once becomes vacant. No member of the board shall be  
19 eligible for any salaried office under the commission.

Sect. 3. Said board shall have full control of all officers  
2 of the fire department including engine houses, engines, hook  
3 and ladder trucks, hose, etc. They shall have full power in  
4 the selection of a chief engineer, assistant engineers, super-  
5 intendent of fire alarms, and each and all employes of the fire  
6 department, the number to be fixed by the city council who  
7 shall fix all salaries. All officers and members shall be citi-  
8 zens of Bangor.

Sect. 4. The commission shall have full authority to  
2 remove any member of the fire department. No man shall  
3 be continued in the service of the fire department as fireman  
4 after arriving at the age of fifty years. The board may make  
5 such rules and regulations for the government and efficiency  
6 of the department, subject to the approval of the city council,  
7 as they may deem advisable and which shall not be incon-  
8 sistent with the laws of the State and ordinances of the city.

9 The two elected commissioners shall receive fifty dollars each  
10 per year for all services rendered.

Sect. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this  
2 act are hereby repealed.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 10, 1899.

Reported by Mr. PERKINS of Cornish, from Committee on Judiciary,  
and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*